















*May your New Year bring you good tidings of exceptional joy and continued prosperity, is the wish of*

## THE ADAMS MEAT CO.

35 Namago Avenue, Edmonton.

*May 1911 be Your Most Prosperous Year and may your friends surround you and think plenty of our tea.*

## NATIONAL BLEND TEACO.

Namago Avenue.

*The Dolls wish every little child as well as the "grown-ups"*  
*A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR.*

## PETERS BAZAAR

Jasper West.

*Wine was made to make glad the heart of man and we would like to assist it, in wishing you*  
*A VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.*

## THE EDMONTON WINE AND SPIRIT CO.

Jasper East.

*There will be music in the world tomorrow and as Sunday ushers in January 1st, we sincerely hope you may have a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.*

## MASON & RISCH

Jasper East, Edmonton.

## RUSSIA LEADS WORLD IN FOREST PRODUCTS

United States Holds Second Place and Canada Third—No Country Altogether Independent of Others.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Although the United States leads the world with bumper crops, millionaires, trusts, et cetera for timber, miles of railroads, and many other things, besides having the largest forest area in the world, it must nevertheless take off its hat to Russia, who claims first place among the countries which are independent of others in the production of forest products. The estimated area of the forests of United States is \$4,000,000 acres, while Russia has \$10,000,000 acres. Canada, which ranks next, has a forest area of 1,210,000 square miles, of which 400,000 square miles is covered merchantable timber.

Raphael Zorn chief of offices of the Department of Agriculture, has just depicted a comparative statement of the forest resources of the world. Mr. Zorn says:

"Under present conditions there is scarcely a civilized country which economically is entirely independent of all other countries. The closely interwoven network of the world's industries is now closely interwoven and even countries like the United States and Russia, which are considered to be independent practically all natural resources necessary to make them independent are obtained from other countries by interchanging their products with the rest of the world."

In order to do this, he says, to form a clearer idea of the future development of a country in its future development, we must take into account the natural resources and the natural economic conditions of other countries with which it does business. Highly developed countries, like Switzerland, make it often more profitable to obtain certain products from a country which has a surplus of timber than to manufacture them at home, even though it is possible to do so.

A country deprived of many natural resources may still be prosperous and growing. Spain, for example, is not able to obtain all its needs from other countries having a surplus of products which it lacks. The following is a striking example of this. With comparatively limited natural resources and high consumption of timber, the country has a surplus of English has highly developed industries which enable her to exchange her timber for the products which she needs. In a general way this holds good for forest products, but with some qualifications. The ability to produce timber plays an important part in the life of every nation by assuring a supply of fuel, lumber, pulp, pulpwood, on agriculture and the general health of the population. On this reason alone a few countries, such as Canada, Germany, England and Holland, may with impunity reduce their forest areas beyond a certain safety limit. A country with a very large forest area of 20 per cent or less shows to a marked degree bad climatic conditions, which are reflected in frost and frosts and alternating floods and low water.

France, with a forest area of five per cent of her total land area, Spain with 12 per cent, Greece with 15 per cent, Italy with 16 per cent, and Portugal with 14 per cent are examples of this.

In considering the forest resources of the United States it is necessary to take into account forest resources of other countries under the control to the extent to which the United States can depend in case of exhaustion of its own timber, upon other countries to supply its needs. The United States plays and will play in supplying the demands of other countries for forest products.

The forests of Europe occupy an area of 750,000,000 acres, which is twice as much as the forests of the United States. The most wooded country is Finland, followed by Boris, Herzegovina, Austria, Italy, France, Sweden, and are Portugal and Great Britain. The proportion of forest destruction to new growth is very great in Europe, but in America it is small. The forests of the United States are little explored. In Asia, the forests of Russia, British India and Japan are estimated to have an acreage of 2,600,239,000. Estimates for the entire world place the total forest area at 10,000,000,000 acres.

The forests of the United States according to ownership are divided as follows: State forests 1,200,000 acres; state forests 5,000,000 acres and unreserved public forests approximately 1,000,000 acres.

While government and state ownership of forests has invariably proved successful, the question of whether forest lands should or should not be controlled by the state cannot always be taken as an absolute one. The state of control of forests in a country. The government may for historical or economic reasons have a small area of its own, but still varies greatly in its influence over the forests of other owners.

The United States has only 16.7 per cent of the total area under state ownership. Switzerland 1.4 per cent and France 1.1 per cent.

In the United States the forest area less than 22 per cent of the entire area. The area per inhabitant is about 100 acres.

As the forests of the United States are cut for commerce, the stumpage value of the forests is the best and most accurate estimate of the stumpage of the United States places it at \$2,500,000,000. The value of the forests of the United States is about \$1,000,000,000 a year, or a cut of about \$2,000,000,000 a year. The cost of felling timber a year, with an average of 12 cubic feet per acre amounts to \$1,700,000,000.

According to department of agriculture, the value of the timber produced in the United States is larger than that of any other country in the world. The value of the timber produced is about \$2,000,000,000. It is derived mainly from imports and exports approximately 1,700,000,000 feet.

A review of timber trade says Mr. Zorn, shows a steady increase in wood consumption the world over. The demand for timber in Europe, Russia and Sweden is needed in western Europe to make up a growing deficit in the timber trade of the United States. The tendency is toward a greater overstatement of the timber production of nations, particularly if continued will lead to a universal shortage with no surplus to meet the demand. This is the case as it may seem, is offset by the birth of a new economic force—a movement of the people toward the production of national forest management.

If such management is long delayed in the United States, the foreign country will face the problem of snow conversion of scrubby woodland to timber land. This will be a serious hindrance to the cost of living.

"The solution of the problem," Mr. Zorn says, "is to begin now to prepare for such a time as this by making a diminished forest area supported by increased population."

The delegate was instructed to urge the legislature to act before Sept. 24th and Oct. 1st, 1911.

The new Presbyterian church is now in use and is a credit to the community.

The hockey club expect several interesting and exciting games this winter.

The curlers are also hard at it. The skating ring is well patronized.

A discussion took place on live stock, with 8 inspection and half insurance companies represented, looking forward to the appointment of a weed inspector for Castor and adjacent districts.

This connection when made, will assist in the marketing and distribution of grain, hay, and feed.

Mr. Frank Whittlesey, president of the Agricultural Society, has been appointed to inspect and grade grain.

The first general meeting of the year was called for the first Tuesday in February and was presided over by Geo. A. Anderson, secretary.

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## AROUND THE CITY

## LOCALS

Mrs. W. McC. Moore, 1175 24th Street, will receive the first Tuesday in January and not again this month.

The Women's Hospital Aid will hold their regular monthly meeting on the evening of Saturday, December 18, at the Sainte Scholastique, 1115 24th Street. All members are requested to be in attendance.

## LAKE STEAMER WRECKED

Port Arthur, Dec. 31.—The wireless reports the wreck of a steamer named "The Queen" off the coast of Labrador near Mingan shore.

## FIGHT WITH INSTRUCTORS

Edmonton, Dec. 31.—A special to the Times from its correspondent in Chin-hua says: "Issues reflect column has been published in the Chinese press. It states that the Chinese have lost at least 1,000 men and that its loss is six hundred killed. The insurrectional loss is slight."

## ELECTRICITY FOR TOFIELD

Chas. E. Taylor of Edmonton, m.w. manager of the Tofield Coal Mine, has applied to the Board of Trade Committee for a franchise for an electric light plant in Tofield. The application was referred to the Board of Trade Committee at a meeting of the Council to be held in the near future.

## CAMBROSE MAINTAINS

"Lots of heat black coal, London's best, have been purchased by Frank C. Adams, Camrose, for 15,000 bushels.

This property on which is located the Cambrose Colliery, is owned by Frank C. Adams, who also owns the Castle hotel, corner of Jasper and 2nd Avenue, Cambrose.

Henry Fraser also purchased through Frank C. Adams, 15,000 bushels of the new market. The price was \$1.00 per bushel.

## PROTESTATION TO OFFICIAL

J. McManamy, deputy registrar at the land title office, upon retiring from that position to enter the practice of law, has been granted a leave of absence.

He will remain on the staff of the land title office until his appointment to the Bar.

Henry Fraser also purchased through Frank C. Adams, 15,000 bushels of the new market. The price was \$1.00 per bushel.

## COLDEST OF THE YEAR

This morning brought the coldest weather of the year and an unusual severity. At half past five this morning the thermometer at the meteorological station registered 25° below zero and before eight o'clock it had fallen further to twenty-three below. This morning the temperature at 8 A.M. was yesterday was twelve below and the coldest previous to today was in November. The temperature in the morning dropped to the old record.

## AT THE HOTELS

Cecil J. A. Hedley, Macklin; J. F. McLean, Ball; F. J. McRae, Leude; J. S. Stetts, Leslie Donald Giller, Olds, and Mrs. W. H. Williams, Jasper.

A. C. Moore, Fort Saskatchewan, Lethbridge; Morrisville; Nicholas Martin, King and Harold W. Riley, Calgary; H. W. Hilliard, Calgary; W. P. Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McLean, Jasper.

John and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lambe.

Winders A. Stillman, Vegreville; George Kullum, Mrs. J. McCullum, Edmonton; J. Stuhdorff, city; S. E. Kennedy; Bruce, G. Palmer, Vegreville; W. H. Morrison, Jasper; Mrs. John St. John, Mrs. C. R. Williams, Moose Jaw; Jas. Gougher, Strathearn; Jas. J. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. John and wife, Mrs. George Handley, city; Miss Nadeau, A. W. Hume, Winnipeg.

W. H. Adamson, T. P. J. Wilson, Mr. Robins, Calgary; H. Garpin, Winnipeg; S. H. Howerton, with Captain John Blair, G. A. Sinclair, Vegreville; J. H. Mott, Vegreville; L. Fern., Vegreville; G. O. T. P. B. Cameron.

## WESTLY CHURCH CONCERT

Very successful was last night's presentation of the Cantata, "Seizing the Moment," at the First United Presbyterian Church. There were nearly forty children in costume and the program included Christmas favorites—fairest and brownies.

Local crafts presented a dignified English monarch, his spouse—Nora Porter, who, as Queen, marched in the ranks of the young girls.

The First United Presbyterian Church, Rev. Dr. McMillan, and two attendant spirits, Helen McQueen and Margaret Pitt, made a dainty and effective trio. Mr. and Mrs. John and Santa Claus set the fairies delightfully piping, pleasing the elders no less by a wondrous transcription of the old carols—leaves and boughs, all in Santa's coat.

And, beneath all, the Santa Claus makes his appearance as "Santa Claus, Sleep Well Angel."

The church and stage, resplendent in colorful brownies full of fun and frolic. Between scenes one and two, a concert solo was given by a young girl, while the audience enjoyed a short intermission.

Never deserved he or received a more enthusiastic ovation.

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So many attractions a good sized audience was present and greatly applauded the various numbers and the concert solo.

Frank Martin described what a paragon his immediate forbear had been. It is to be hoped that the school will continue to do well.

The school is to be complimented on its schoolroom decorations, and along this line special pride is due to Captain W. H. Watt.

## THE WEATHER

The weather has moderated considerably since the very cold weather which has prevailed over the prairie provinces. Light snow has fallen in many points.

Max. Min. 28  
Kamloops (clear) ... 22 -28  
Calgary (cloudy) ... 12 -12  
Prince Albert (clear) ... 0 -28  
Moose Jaw (clear) ... 4 -28  
Regina (cloudy) ... 2 -28  
Winnipeg (cloudy) ... 2 0  
Port Arthur (cloudy) ... 4 0

## GRACE CHURCH CONCERT

The annual entertainment of Grace Methodist Church Sunday School was held this evening. The hall was crowded to the doors with a very appropriate audience, occupied by the thirty numbers to the pleasure of the hearers and especially was heartily applauded and especially was the organ solo by the choir. This organ solo was performed by the choir of twenty senior girls whose voices were most attractive.

Directed by Marjorie Wells, Carmen Head, Andrew and Edna Cathcart, Freda Fowler, Mildred McIntyre, Freda Dickson, Chorus, twenty girls.

Chorus by class, orchestra, piano.

Violin duet, McDonald sisters.

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